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For: METHYLATED GENE BIOMARKERS FOR  
DETECTING CANCER

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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Communication dated December 4, 2008, please  
amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins  
on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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